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## I. Scholarships and Fellowships

## HAMILTON COLLEGE OFFERS \$32,000 IN FINANCIAL AID TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Hamilton, a liberal arts college with an emphasis on individualized instruction and independent research, is a national leader in teaching effective writing and persuasive speaking. Close to half of all students are on financial aid and receive \$32,000 on average which covers full tuition, room, board, and student activity fees.



In order to be eligible, the following requirements must be met:

- Acceptance to Hamilton College under one of four Decision Plans: Early Decision Plan I (Nov 15 deadline), Early Decision Plan II
  (January 1 deadline), or Regular Decision (January 1 deadline).
- Students should complete the International Student Financial Aid Application and the Certification of Finances. These forms should be submitted to the Financial Aid Office. International students who are U.S. citizens need to complete the FAFSA, the C.S.S. Profile and the Hamilton Financial Aid Application.

For more information, please visit <a href="http://bit.ly/eVoUIW">http://bit.ly/eVoUIW</a>
Download the financial aid forms at <a href="http://bit.ly/ewfK4g">http://bit.ly/ewfK4g</a>



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## MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE UP TO \$6000 AT CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY WISCONSIN

Concordia University Wisconsin is a Lutheran higher education community committed to helping students develop in mind, body, and spirit. Our philosophy gives each student the opportunity to succeed today and grooms leaders for tomorrow. Whatever your aspirations, over 60 majors and 24 minors give you the chance to zero in on your future.



Merit tier-based Undergraduate Scholarships are still available at Concordia University for the 2011-12 school year! International students may be eligible for one of the following scholarship types and amounts:

- Recognition Scholarship: \$3000 - Honors Scholarship: \$4000 - Regents Scholarship: \$5000 - Presidents Scholarship: \$6000

- On-campus employment opportunities are also available upon arrival.

For more information, please email international.admissions@cuw.edu or visit http://bit.ly/fxqO1J

#### MULTIPLE SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT SIT GRADUATE INSTITUTE

SIT Graduate Institute equips students with theoretical knowledge, field experience, and professional skills. Programs are based on an experiential learning model and a commitment to social justice and intercultural communication. SIT offers Master of Arts degree programs in Conflict Transformation, International Education, Sustainable Development, and Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) on its campuses in Brattleboro, Vermont and Washington, DC.



At the SIT Graduate Institute, international students may be eligible for a combination of grants and scholarships that cover some portion of the cost of attendance. SIT grants are based primarily on need and students are automatically considered for this grant when their application is reviewed. A number of scholarships have also been established to recognize students who reflect the SIT mission through their professional and personal lives. Scholarship opportunities include:

- Activism and Advocacy Scholarship
- The Anderson Family Fund
- Bradley/Gamble Fellows Program in Population Studies
- BRAZ-TESOL/Alumni Scholarship
- Career Experience Scholarship
- Community Service and Volunteer Scholarship
- International Aid and Development Scholarship
- Middle East and Islamic Cultures Scholarship
- Pino Scholarship for the Program in Intercultural Service, Leadership, and Management
- Professional Association Scholarship
- Recent Graduate Scholarship
- Student Diversity Scholarship
- Intercultural Leadership Award
- INTERLINK Language Center and SIT Fellowship
- SIT Peace Fellowship

For more information, please visit http://bit.ly/hBflUR

# II. News You Can Use

#### STUDY TEXAS LAUNCHES REVAMPED WEBSITE

With over 200 institutions of higher education to choose from and an environment as diverse as the culture, Texas, the Lone Star state, is a great place to live and learn!



Study Texas is a group of educational and training organizations in the state of Texas, whose broad purpose is to connect international students and professionals with quality education and

training. Members include community colleges, public and private colleges, universities, and professional English language schools. Study Texas institutions offer thousands of degrees to choose from. Come explore Texas and find out why it is a great place to live and learn!

Come study, explore, and enjoy the history and life of the Lone Star State:

- Outstanding educational programs
- Affordable education and living
- Great weather all year round
- Arts and Culture
- Beaches, Mountains and Deserts
- Spirit and hospitality of the Lone Star State
- Enjoy the array of Texas food including Texas barbeque
- Colorful Texas history
- Diverse Texas culture
- Great Sports: Home of the Dallas Cowboys and Texas Rangers
- Texas style shopping
- True Cowboy Experience: Ranches and Rodeos

Visit the newly launched and revamped Study Texas website at: http://www.studytexas.us/

## GRADUATE-SCHOOL APPLICATIONS FROM FOREIGN STUDENTS CONTINUE TO RISE

The Chronicle of Higher Education By Karin Fischer April 12, 2011

Foreign-student applications to American graduate schools are up 9 percent over last year, with much of the increase fueled by a double-digit expansion in applications from prospective Chinese students, according to a report released today by the Council of Graduate Schools.

Applications from India and South Korea, meanwhile, saw renewed growth after stagnating last year. The three countries send the largest numbers of international students to the United States.

The report's author, Nathan E. Bell, called the findings "encouraging," saying they suggest continued strong interest around the world in American graduate education, despite increased global competition for top students. Application figures tend to overstate actual enrollment trends because prospective students may apply to multiple universities, but Mr. Bell, who is director of research and policy analysis at the graduate-schools group, said he expects international enrollments this fall to climb between 3 and 6 percent.

Read More: http://bit.ly/fpi6gh

#### CUSTOMIZE AND DIGITIZE YOUR COLLEGE EDUCATION

New digital textbook services could transform how course materials are delivered to students.

U.S. News & World Report By <u>Brian Burnsed</u> April 25, 2011

Keith Graziadei, an adjunct ESL professor at Santa Monica College, was wary of putting together course packets for his students because of the rigmarole inherent in their assembly. Instead of finding the articles, securing copyright clearances, and having the materials printed, he used to simply have his students purchase two textbooks and print supplemental materials he created.

This semester, however, Graziadei took part in a pilot program for a new tool called AcademicPub, which allows professors to build custom course packs online that have automatic copyright clearance. Students can purchase these online and either print them in the school bookstore, have them shipped directly by AcademicPub, or read them as a high resolution PDF via any digital reader.

Rather than being forced to buy two textbooks, which can cost about \$45 total, Graziadei's students have access to a custom book containing textbook chapters and his original materials that only costs \$20.50. "I had never created a course pack before because my thinking was it's a lot of work involved," he says. "This made the process very streamlined and very easy."

Read More: http://bit.ly/ieHXce

## **EDUSA CONNECTS LIVE WEBINARS: FINANCE YOUR STUDIES**

Did you know that U.S. colleges and universities offer millions of dollars in financial aid to international students each year? Join us online to learn more about financing your studies in the United States! Experts from the field will answer your questions and offer invaluable insight on finding and securing financial aid, scholarships, and grants during this live discussion.

Participation is free – don't miss this unique opportunity! Login as a guest during any of the dates/times listed below at http://bit.ly/fLea1P

Fulbright Scholarship Programs

Tony Claudino, Institute of International Education

April 26, 2011

930am – 1030am (EDT)

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Undergraduate Financial Aid
Clarice Tan, Central Washington University
April 28, 2011
10am-11am (EDT)

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